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Dear Ms. Hesse,

The proposed settlement of the Microsoft antitrust case is a good deal for the taxpayer, investors and the computer industry. I strongly encourage the court to accept the settlement.

The good news for supporters of the free-market system is that Microsoft is not going to be busted up by the federal government. Instead this settlement specifically provides remedy for portions of the complaint that have been made it through lower courts.

Under this agreement competitors of Microsoft will find it much easier to promote their products into the Windows operating system, it requires Microsoft to provide intellectual property with other companies when necessary, and Microsoft will be banned from cutting special deals with specific computer manufacturers.

Clearly the Department of Justice and the company are interested in seeing this case ended. I the American public can count on the court to support this agreement.